#### PROVIDENCE WATER

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March 30, 2007

The Honorable Elia Germani Chairman Public Utilities Commission 89 Jefferson Boulevard Warwick, RI 02888

RE: Providence Water Supply Board - General Rate Filing March 2007

Dear Chairman Germani:

The Providence Water Supply Board (Providence Water), pursuant to the Rules of Practice and Procedure, herewith files a general rate filing to collect additional revenues of \$9,688,321 which is an overall increase of 19.07%, effective April 30, 2007.

Included in this filing are pre-filed testimony of the witnesses to be presented by Providence Water, along with supporting schedules and work papers, as required by the Commission's Rules. We have complied with all requirements of Part two of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure. We have also included the information required by Rhode Island General Laws 39-3-12.1.

Copies of this filing are being mailed by first class mail, postage prepaid, to the following affected parties to our system:

- City Clerk Providence
- City Clerk East Providence
- City Clerk Cranston
- City Clerk Warwick
- Town Clerk North Providence
- Town Clerk Johnston
- Town Clerk Lincoln
- Town Clerk Smithfield
- Kent County Water Authority
- Greenville Water District
- East Smithfield Water District
- Bristol County Water Authority

Copies will also be provided to the Rhode Island Water Resources Board and the Rhode Island Attorney General's Office. All other wholesale customers and Fire Chiefs will be notified by mail

of the potential effect this filing may have on their rates.

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A copy of our proposed Notice to be published in the Providence Journal is enclosed as required by Commission Rule 2.4. We will coordinate with the Commission Clerk to finalize the document prior to publication.

Michael R. McElroy, Esq., will be representing Providence Water as our legal counsel in this matter. He may be contacted at 21 Dryden Lane, Post Office Box 6721, Providence, RI 02940-6721.

Please note that, as agreed in a discussion between our legal counsel and the Commission Clerk, we are filing the original rate filing package today, Friday, March 30, 2007, and we will be filing and mailing all the required copies on Monday, April 2, 2007.

Respectfully,

Providence Water Supply Board

Pamela M. Marchand

Chief Engineer & General Manager

### STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

ΙN	RE:	PROVID	ENCE	WATER	SUPPLY	BOARD
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#### NOTICE OF FILING AND CHANGE IN RATE SCHEDULE

Pursuant to the Rules of Practice and Procedure of the Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission (Commission), the Providence Water Supply Board (Providence Water) filed with the Commission an application to revise its rates effective April 30, 2007.

The proposed rates will collect an additional \$9,688,321 in revenues, which represents an overall increase of approximately 19.07%. The impact of this proposal will be an increase of 19.6% on all rates.

While the new rates are proposed to become effective April 30, 2007, the Commission can suspend the rates for up to six months from the proposed effective date. No rate change will take effect until the Commission has conducted a full investigation and hearing on the proposal. The Commission will publish a notice of the hearing dates when they are scheduled. Ratepayers may comment on the proposed rate increase at that time.

A copy of the proposed filing is on file at Providence Water's office at 552 Academy Avenue, Providence, Rhode Island, and at the office of the Commission, 89 Jefferson Boulevard, Warwick, Rhode Island, and may be reviewed by the public during normal business hours.

A copy of this filing was also provided to the Cities of Providence,

East Providence, Cranston and Warwick; the Towns of North Providence,

Johnston, Lincoln and Smithfield; the Kent County Water Authority, Greenville

Water District, East Smithfield Water District and Bristol County Water

Authority.

Correspondence for Providence Water in this rate filing should be addressed to Ms. Pamela M. Marchand, Chief Engineer & General Manager, Providence Water Supply Board, 552 Academy Avenue, Providence, Rhode Island, 02908 and to Mr. Michael R. McElroy, Esq., Post Office Box 6721, Providence, Rhode Island, 02940-6721.

In accordance with the Commission Rules and Regulations, the documents accompanying this filing contain data, information, and testimony in support of Providence Water's application for a change in rates.

#### PROVIDENCE WATER SUPPLY BOARD TARIFF

Replaces Tariff January 1, 2003

Effective: January 1, 2006

RI Public Utilities Commission Docket No. 3684

#### TARIFF SCHEDULES

<u>Schedule</u>	
A	Service Charges – Retail
В	Metered Sales – Retail
С	Bulk Sales to Public Authorities for Resale
D	Public Fire Protection
E	Private Fire Service
F	Miscellaneous Charges

#### SCHEDULE A

Providence Water Supply Board
Service Charges
Retail

Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission Docket No. 3684

Effective: January 1, 2006

#### Applicability

Applicable to all metered customers for industrial, commercial and residential use, exclusive of fire service connection, in the Providence Water Supply Board service area.

#### Rates

For each service connected to the Providence Water Supply Board mains, the following customer service charges shall apply:

Size of Meter	<u>Quarterly</u>	<u>Monthly</u>
5/8"	\$12.19	\$ 7.25
3/4	13.05	7.50
1	15.32	8.25
$1\frac{1}{2}$	18.33	9.27
2	26.66	12.05
3	87.93	32.47
4	110.64	40.03
6	163.59	57.67
8	224.10	77.85
10	278.93	96.14
12	333.79	114.41

#### Terms of Payment

All customer service charges may be billed quarterly or monthly and are due and payable when rendered.

#### SCHEDULE B

#### Providence Water Supply Board Metered Sales Retail

Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission Docket No. 3684

Effective: January 1, 2006

**Applicability** 

Applicable to all general metered water service in the Providence Water Supply Board service area.

Rates

For all quantities used, except for bulk sales for resale, the following rates shall apply:

#### Quarterly Accounts

Residential	\$1.958
Commercial	\$1.882
Industrial	\$1.825

#### Monthly Accounts

Residential	\$1.958
Commercial	\$1.882
Industrial	\$1.825

#### Terms of Payment

All metered sales bills are rendered in arrears quarterly or monthly at the option of the Providence Water Supply Board and are due and payable in full when rendered.

#### SCHEDULE C

Providence Water Supply Board
Bulk Sales to Public Authorities for Resale

Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission Docket No. 3684

Effective: January 1, 2006

**Applicability** 

Applicable to all public authorities in the Providence Water Supply Board service area purchasing water for resale.

Rates

\$1,236.00 per million gallons

#### Terms of Payment

All bills for bulk sales are rendered quarterly or monthly in arrears in accordance with contract agreements and are due and payable in full when rendered.

#### SCHEDULE D

Providence Water Supply Board
Public Fire Protection

Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission Docket No. 3684

Effective: January 1, 2006

Applicability

Applicable to all service to public fire hydrants in the Providence Water Supply Board service area.

Rates

For each hydrant: \$250.99

#### Terms of Payment

All bills for public fire service are rendered quarterly and are due and payable in full when rendered.

## SCHEDULE E Providence Water Supply Board Private Fire Service

Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission Docket No. 3684

Effective: January 1, 2006

#### Applicability

Applicable for service to private fire protection appliances owned and maintained by the customer in the Providence Water Supply service area.

#### Rates

For each fire service connection to the Providence Water Supply Board mains, the following charges shall apply:

Size of Service	Quarterly
3/4"	\$10.77
1	14.26
1 ½	23.00
2	33.48
4	92.87
6	180.22
8	285.03
10	407.30
12	547.05

#### Terms of Payment

All bills for private fire services are rendered quarterly and are due and payable in full when rendered.

# SCHEDULE F PROVIDENCE WATER TERMS & CONDITIONS SERVICE FEE SCHEDULE (effective January 1, 2006) page 1 of 2

**NOTE:** All applicants must complete financial arrangements prior to services being rendered. Applicants are responsible for obtaining and paying for all permits and any additional fees.

SERVICE	FEE
PHOTOCOPYING Distribution Sheet	\$ 3.00/copy
Letter or Legal Size Document	\$ .15/copy
LIEN CERTIFICATE	\$ 6.00
RETURNED CHECK FEE	\$ 20.00
PLAN CHECKING/WATER AVAILABILITY REVIEW	\$ 57.00/hour
EASEMENT/ABANDONMENT REQUEST	\$ 50.00/hour
FIRE HYDRANT FLOW TEST	\$ 118.00
NEW WATER SERVICE INSTALLATION - BASIC	
1" Water Service	\$1,673.00
1 ½" Water Service	2,596.00
2" Water Service	2,931.00
4" Water Service	3,700.00
6" Water Service	3,998.00

#### NEW WATER SERVICE INSTALLATION - SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES

All services greater than 6" will be installed and charged on a time and materials basis, consistent with the methodology used in computing the above schedule, any sites where special circumstances may be encountered (ie. ledge, special fittings, routing around other utilities) will also be charged on a time and materials basis. The average time rate for all manpower and equipment (including overhead) averages approximately \$400/hr.

#### PAVEMENT/SIDEWALK RESTORATION CHARGES

Applicants are responsible for all *actual* road and/or sidewalk restoration charges, as the charge varies with the size of the excavation and the pavement thickness. For illustrative purposes, on average, the charge is approximately \$300 for payment restoration and \$75 for sidewalk.

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#### POLICE DETAILS

If the work being performed presents a safety hazard and it is necessary to employ police details for traffic control, the applicant will be responsible for such costs at the then current rate of the respective Town or City. For illustrative purposes, the hourly detail rates as of June 15, 2002 are as follows:

Cranston	\$40.12
Johnston	30.00
North Providence	33.00
Providence	42.00

#### NEW WATER METER INSTALLATION - INCLUDING ERT

5/8" Meter	\$ 184.00
3/4" Meter	230.00
1" Meter	266.00
1 ½" Meter	457.00
2" Meter	545.00

All meters greater than 2" will be charged on an actual time and materials basis.

#### **NEW ERT - ALL METER SIZES**

\$ 109.00

(Applies only to existing ERT's that are lost, stolen, or damaged by customers. There is no charge to retro-fit an existing meter to AMR technology.)

SERVICE SHUTOFF FEE	\$ 64.00

SERVICE RESTORATION FEE \$ 43.00

SPECIAL REQUESTS FOR SERVICES NOT LISTED ABOVE THAT DO NOT BENEFIT ALL CUSTOMERS

Billed at actual Cost plus overhead Rates in effect

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#### SCHEDULE A

Providence Water Supply Board Service Charges Retail

Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission Docket No.

Effective: April 30, 2007

#### **Applicability**

Applicable to all metered customers for industrial, commercial and residential use, exclusive of fire service connection, in the Providence Water Supply Board service area.

#### Rates

For each service connected to the Providence Water Supply Board mains, the following customer service charges shall apply:

Size of Meter	Quarterly	<u>Monthly</u>
5/8"	\$16.44	\$ 9.90
3/4	17.42	10.23
1	20.36	11.21
$1\frac{1}{2}$	24.28	12.52
2	35.06	16.11
3	114.46	42.58
4	143.86	52.38
6	212.48	75.25
8	290.89	101.39
10	361.95	125.08
12	433.02	148.76

#### Terms of Payment

All customer service charges may be billed quarterly or monthly and are due and payable when rendered.

#### SCHEDULE B

#### Providence Water Supply Board Metered Sales Retail

#### Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission Docket No.

Effective: April 30, 2007

Applicability

Applicable to all general metered water service in the Providence Water Supply Board service area.

#### Rates

For all quantities used, except for bulk sales to public authorities for resale, the following rates per HCF shall apply:

#### Quarterly Accounts

Residential	\$2.204
Commercial	\$2.092
Industrial	\$2.046

#### Monthly Accounts

Residential	\$2.204
Commercial	\$2.092
Industrial	\$2.046

#### Terms of Payment

All metered sales bills are rendered in arrears quarterly or monthly at the option of the Providence Water Supply Board and are due and payable in full when rendered.

#### SCHEDULE C

#### Providence Water Supply Board Bulk Sales to Public Authorities for Resale

Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission Docket No.

Effective: April 30, 2007

#### Applicability

Applicable to all public authorities in the Providence Water Supply Board service area purchasing water for resale.

#### Rates-Volume Charge

\$1,248.00 per million gallons

#### Rates-Service Charge

Billing Unit	Monthly Charge
East Providence	\$ 62,182
East Smithfield	8,811
Greenville	12,010
Kent County	97,944
Smithfield	11,119
Warwick	114,213
Lincoln	28,178
Johnston	5,123
Bristol County	20,246

#### Terms of Payment

All bills for bulk sales are rendered monthly in arrears and are due and payable in full when rendered.

#### SCHEDULE D

### Providence Water Supply Board Public Fire Protection

Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission Docket No.

Effective: April 30, 2007

Applicability

Applicable to all service to public fire hydrants in the Providence Water Supply Board service area.

Rates

For each hydrant: \$218.73

#### Terms of Payment

All bills for public fire service are rendered quarterly and are due and payable in full when rendered.

#### SCHEDULE E

#### Providence Water Supply Board Private Fire Service

Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission Docket No.

Effective: April 30, 2007

#### Applicability

Applicable for service to private fire protection appliances owned and maintained by the customer in the Providence Water Supply service area.

#### Rates

For each fire service connection to the Providence Water Supply Board mains, the following charges shall apply:

Size of Service	<u>Quarterly</u>
3/4"	\$17.54
1	20.63
$1\frac{1}{2}$	25.06
2	36.72
4	154.14
6	242.33
8	354.52
10	476.38
12	617.85
16	969.03

#### Terms of Payment

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March 30, 2007

City Clerk City of Providence City Hall Providence, RI 02903

RE: Providence Water Supply Board - General Rate Filing to the RI Public Utilities Commission for a Rate Adjustment Pursuant to the Rules of Practice and Procedure of the RI Public Utilities Commission

Dear Sir or Madam:

Pursuant to the Rules of Practice and Procedure of the RI Public Utilities Commission, the Providence Water Supply Board has filed the enclosed document with the Public Utilities Commission in support of its application for a rate increase.

Respectfully,

Providence Water Supply Board
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City Clerk City of East Providence 145 Taunton Avenue East Providence, RI 02914

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March 30, 2007

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March 30, 2007

Town Clerk Town of Smithfield 64 Farnum Pike Smithfield, RI 02917

RE:

Providence Water Supply Board - General Rate Filing to the RI Public Utilities Commission for a Rate Adjustment Pursuant to the Rules of Practice and Procedure of the RI Public Utilities Commission

Dear Sir or Madam:

Pursuant to the Rules of Practice and Procedure of the RI Public Utilities Commission, the Providence Water Supply Board has filed the enclosed document with the Public Utilities Commission in support of its application for a rate increase.

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Kent County Water Authority P.O. Box 192 West Warwick, RI 02893 Attn: Mr. Timothy Brown

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Dear Mr. Brown:

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Mr. David M. Powers District Superintendent Greenville Water District P.O. Box 595 Greenville, RI 02828

RE:

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Dear Mr. Powers:

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Mr. Raymond DiSanto East Smithfield Water District 307 Waterman Avenue Smithfield, RI 02917

RE:

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Dear Mr. DiSanto:

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Mr. Pasquale DeLise Bristol County Water Authority P.O. Box 447 Warren, RI 02885

RE:

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Dear Mr. DeLise:

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RI Water Resources Board Attn: Juan Mariscal 100 North Main Street Providence, RI 02903

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the RI Public Utilities Commission for a Rate Adjustment Pursuant to the Rules of Practice and Procedure of the RI Public Utilities Commission

Dear Mr. Mariscal:

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Office of the Attorney General Attn: Paul Roberti, Esq. 150 South Main Street Providence, RI 02903

RE: Providence Water Supply Board - General Rate Filing to the RI Public Utilities Commission for a Rate Adjustment Pursuant to the Rules of Practice and Procedure of the RI Public Utilities Commission

Dear Mr. Roberti:

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### CITY OF PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND WATER SUPPLY BOARD

FINANCIAL REPORT JUNE 30, 2006 and 2005

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### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Board of Directors Providence Water Supply Board Providence, Rhode Island

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the Providence Water Supply Board (the "Water Supply Board") (an enterprise fund of the City of Providence, Rhode Island) as of and for the years ended June 30, 2006 and 2005, as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Water Supply Board's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in "Government Auditing Standards" issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audits to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Water Supply Board as of June 30, 2006 and 2005, and the changes in its financial position and its cash flows for the years then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

The management discussion and analysis on pages 2 through 5 is not a required part of the basic financial statements, but is supplementary information required by accounting standards generally accepted in the United States of America. We have applied certain limited procedures, which consisted principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of the required supplementary information. However, we did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

In accordance with "Government Auditing Standards," we have also issued our report dated November 3, 2006, on our consideration of the Water Supply Board's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance and other matters. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with "Government Auditing Standards," and should be considered in assessing the results of our audit.

McGladrey of Pullen, LCP

New Haven, Connecticut November 3, 2006

# Providence Water Supply Board Management's Discussion and Analysis June 30, 2006

The management of the Providence Water Supply Board (the Water Supply Board) offers readers of our financial statements the following narrative overview and analysis of our financial activities for the years ended June 30, 2006 and 2005.

### Financial Statements

Our financial statements are prepared using proprietary fund (enterprise fund) accounting that uses the same basis of accounting as private-sector business enterprises. Under this method of accounting an economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting is used.

Revenue is recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when incurred. The financial statements include statements of net assets, statements of revenues, expenses and changes in net assets, and statements of cash flows. These statements are followed by notes to the financial statements.

The statements of net assets present information on the assets and liabilities, with the difference between the two reported as net assets. Over time, increases or decreases in net assets may serve as a useful indicator of whether the financial position of the Water Supply Board is improving or deteriorating.

The statements of revenues, expenses, and changes in net assets report the operating and nonoperating revenues and expenses of the Water Supply Board for the fiscal year with the difference – the net income or loss – being combined with any capital contributions to determine the net change in assets for the fiscal year. That change combined with the previous year-end net assets total reconciles to the net assets at the end of the fiscal year.

The statements of cash flows report cash and cash equivalents activity for the fiscal year resulting from operating activities, non-capital financing activities, capital and related financing activities, and investing activities. The net result of these activities added to the beginning of the year cash balance reconciles to the cash and cash equivalents balance at the end of the fiscal year.

# PROVIDENCE WATER SUPPLY BOARD (An enterprise fund of the City of Providence, Rhode Island) Management's Discussion and Analysis - Required Supplementary Information June 30, 2006 and 2005 (000's)

### Condensed Financial Information (in thousands)

Condensed financial information from the statements of net assets and revenues, expenses, and changes in net assets is presented below.

		2006		2005		2004
Ourself sands	\$	36,113	\$	31,809	\$	35,512
Current assets	Þ	176,465	φ	169,558	φ	164,667
Capital assets, net Total assets		212,578		201,367		200,179
Total assets		212,070		201,007		200,170
Current liabilities		17,307		13,296		16,872
Noncurrent liabilities		14,829		18,573		22,086
Total liabilities		32,136		31,869		38,958
Net assets:						
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt		157,507		146,421		137,352
Restricted		16,746		15,411		15,860
Unrestricted		6,189		7,666		8,009
Total net assets	\$	180,442	\$	169,498	\$	161,221
Operating revenues	\$	52,432	\$	48,807	\$	49,168
Operating expenses		32,556		31,097		28,855
Depreciation		9,890		9,774		8,759
Total operating expenses, including depreciation		42,446		40,871		37,614
Operating income		9,986		7,936		11,554
Nonoperating expense		(351)		(1,123)		(1,163)
Capital grants and contributions		1,309		1,464		1,197
Increase in net assets	\$	10,944	\$	8,277	\$	11,588

### Financial Highlights

The Water Supply Board's net assets totaled \$ 180.4 million at June 30, 2006. Total net assets increased by \$10.9 million, or about 6.5% from June 30, 2005.

During the year, the Water Supply Board had operating revenues that exceeded operating expenses by \$10.0 million. This is primarily due to the large commitment to the replacement of infrastructure included in water rates. In addition, there was an increase in user rates during the year.

At June 30, 2006, the Water Supply Board's net assets totaled \$ 180.4 million. Total assets were \$212.6 million, up \$ 11.2 million from last year's total assets of \$ 201.4 million.

At June 30, 2005, the Water Supply Board's net assets totaled \$ 169.5 million. Total assets were \$201.4 million, up \$ 1.2 million from the prior year's total assets of \$ 200.2 million.

The Water Supply Board's total operating revenues were \$52.4 million at June 30, 2006, which increased from \$48.8 million in June 30, 2005. The total cost of operating the water system, including property taxes and depreciation, was \$42.4 million. This resulted in an operating income of \$10.0 million. Non-operating revenue consists of interest and dividend income. Interest on long-term restricted debt is the largest non-operating expense, followed by miscellaneous and other expenses. Non-operating income for the fiscal year totaled (\$.4) million, with capital grants of \$1.3 million. The total increase in net assets was \$10.9 million.

The Water Supply Board's total operating revenues were \$ 48.8 million at June 30, 2005 which slightly decreased from \$49.1 million in June 30, 2004. The total cost of operating the water system, including property taxes and depreciation, was \$ 40.9 million. This resulted in an operating income of \$ 7.9 million. Non-operating revenue consists of interest and dividend income. Interest on long-term restricted debt is the largest non-operating expense, followed by miscellaneous and other expenses. Non-operating income for the fiscal year totaled (\$1.1) million, with capital grants of \$ 1.5 million. The total increase in net assets was \$ 8.3 million.

The increase in expenditures in both 2006 and 2005 were a result of normal inflation, contractual and external factors.

### Capital Assets and Debt Administration

### Capital Assets

At June 30, 2006, the Water Supply Board had \$ 176.5 million invested in various capital assets, including land, buildings and improvements, transmission and distribution reservoirs, mains, services, hydrants and appurtenances, machinery and equipment and construction work in progress. This amount represents a net increase of \$ 6.9 million, or 4.1%, over last year.

At June 30, 2005, the Water Supply Board had \$ 169.6 million invested in various capital assets, including land, buildings and improvements, transmission and distribution reservoirs, mains, services, hydrants and appurtenances, machinery and equipment and construction work in progress. This amount represents a net increase of \$ 4.9 million, or 3%, over the prior year.

Major project expenditures included (in millions):

Sludge handling and disposal, \$2.0
Various distribution improvements, \$0.6
Replace fire hydrants, \$0.2
Replace lead services, \$0.4
Replace meters, \$1.7
AMR system, \$0.8
Geographic Info. Systems (GIS), \$0.3
Rehabilitate chemical transfer systems, \$0.3
Aqueduct Pump Station, \$1.5
Neutaconkanut Reservoir, \$1.4
Replace water mains, \$0.9
Fire safety improvements, \$1.2
102" aqueduct improvements, \$2.3
Sand Filters, \$0.2
Clarification Optimization, \$0.1

The Water Supply Board's fiscal 2007 capital budget includes projected expenditures of \$15.5 million for infrastructure and capital projects. The major projects are a new pump station, sludge removal and disposal, pump station rehabilitation, chemical system upgrades, GIS system implementation, meter replacements, distribution system improvements, and transmission main inspection and rehabilitation. Other projects will be funded from bond proceeds available from bonds issued in prior fiscal years and with restricted cash funding from rate revenues. The majority of infrastructure projects are financed on a pay-as-you-go, cash basis. New capital additions, that benefit the ratepayers for many years, are paid for with debt financing on an as needed basis.

### Debt

At June 30, 2006, the Water Supply Board had \$ 14.7 million in bonds and notes outstanding versus \$ 17.5 million in the previous year. This represented a decrease of \$ 2.8 million or 16.0%.

No new debt was issued in 2006.

At June 30, 2005, the Water Supply Board had \$ 17.5 million in bonds and notes outstanding versus \$ 20.8 million in the previous year. This represented a decrease of \$ 3.3 million or 15.7%.

Old debt was re-financed in 2005 to take advantage of lower interest rates. The present value of the projected savings was approximately \$1.2 million.

### Contacting Providence Water's Financial Management

This financial report is designed to provide our customers, investors and creditors with a general overview of the Water Supply Board's finances and to show the Water Supply Board's accountability for the money it receives. If you have questions about this report or need additional financial information, contact the Finance Director at the Providence Water Supply Board, 552 Academy Avenue, Providence, RI 02908.

## STATEMENTS OF NET ASSETS June 30, 2006 and 2005 (000's)

	2006	2005
ASSETS		
Current Unrestricted Assets		
Cash and cash equivalents (Note 3)	\$ 4,200	\$ 115
Accounts receivable, net of allowance for uncollectible		
accounts of \$2,713 in 2006 and \$2,952 in 2005, respectively	6,670	9,496
Accounts receivable - unbilled	4,338	4,059
Inventory	403	1,158
Other assets	-	77
Due from other funds	41	28
Total unrestricted	15,652	14,933
Current Restricted Assets (Note 2)		
Cash and cash equivalents (Note 3)	18,079	14,701
Investments (Note 3)	1,476	1,333
Accounts receivable	373	319
Accounts receivable - unbilled	533	523
Total restricted	20,461	16,876
Total current assets	36,113	31,809
Capital Assets (Note 10)		
Land	10,289	10,258
Building and improvements	25,600	25,034
Improvements other than buildings	163,976	157,202
Machinery and equipment	24,150	23,255
Assets under capital leases (Note 7)	14,728	14,728
Scituate Reservoir Project	18,682	18,682
Construction in progress	23,150	14,618
•	280,575	263,777
Less accumulated depreciation and amortization	104,110	94,219
Capital assets, net	176,465	169,558
Total assets	212,578	201,367

		2006		2005
LIABILITIES	•			
Current Liabilities				
Due to City of Providence General Fund (Note 6)	\$	2,901	\$	591
Accounts payable		2,261		2,554
Accrued expenses		2,662		2,566
Unearned revenues		1,639		1,556
Current portion of long-term debt (Note 5)		2,829		2,799
Current portion of obligations under capital lease (Note 7)		915		1,050
Line of credit (Note 8)		385		715
		13,592		11,831
Amounts to be paid from current restricted assets (Note 2)				
Due to Water Resources Board		450		447
Accounts payable		3,265		1,018
Accounts payable		3,715		1,465
			-	
Total current liabilities		17,307		13,296
Non-current Liabilities				
General revenue bonds (Note 5)		11,879		14,708
Obligations under capital lease (Note 7)		2,950		3,865
Total non-current liabilities		14,829		18,573
Total liabilities		32,136		31,869
Commitments and contingencies (Note 9)				
NET ASSETS		,		
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt		157,507		146,421
Restricted		16,746		15,411
Unrestricted		6,189		7,666
Total net assets	\$	180,442	\$	169,498

# STATEMENTS OF REVENUES AND EXPENSES AND CHANGES IN FUND NET ASSETS For the Years Ended June 30, 2006 and 2005 (000's)

	2006	2005
Operating Revenues		
Charges for services:		
Water sales (Note 1):		
General customers	\$ 35,020	\$ 32,312
Other local water suppliers	12,908	12,590
Fire protection services	1,514	1,392
Maintenance charges and other revenue	 2,990	2,513 -
Total operating revenues	 52,432	48,807
Operating Expenses		
Source of supply	1,737	1,488
Pumping operations	724	603
Water treatment	6,202	5,447
Transmission and distribution	3,811	3,690
Charge for services provided by other City departments (Note 6)	730	730
Customer accounts and service	2,215	2,676
Administrative and general	11,106	10,678
Depreciation and amortization	9,891	9,774
Property taxes - other local governments	6,030	5,785
Total operating expenses	 42,446	40,871
Operating income	 9,986	7,936
Nonoperating Revenues (Expenses)		
Interest income	864	427
Interest expense and other	 (1,215)	(1,550)
Net nonoperating expenses	 (351)	 (1,123)
Capital Grants and Contributions	 1,309	 1,464
Change in net assets	10,944	8,277
Net Assets, beginning of year	 169,498	161,221
Net Assets, end of year	\$ 180,442	\$ 169,498

## STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS For the Years Ended June 30, 2006 and 2005 (000's)

		Business-Type Activities Enterprise Funds Water Supply Board		
		2006		2005
Cash Flows From Operating Activities Cash received from customers	\$	54,914	\$	50,443
Cash paid to vendors		(12,963)		(13,967)
Cash paid to employees		(16,622)		(17,669)
Net cash provided by operating activities		25,329		18,807
Cash Flows From Non-Capital and Related Financing Activities  Due to/from other funds		2,297		(2,042)
Cash Flows From Capital and Related Financing Activities				
Acquisition and construction of capital assets		(16,798)		(14,663)
Interest paid on debt		(1,215)		(1,550)
Proceeds of long-term debt		-		8,101
Proceeds from line of credit		-		714
Repayment to line of credit		(330)		(400)
Repayment of long-term debt and capital leases		(3,849)		(4,829)
Payments to escrow		4.000		(7,766)
Capital grants		1,309		1,464
Net cash used in capital and related financing activities		(20,883)		(18,929)
Cash Flows From Investing Activities				
Purchase of investment securities		(144)		(98)
Investment income		864		427
Net cash provided by investing activities		720		329
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents		7,463		(1,835)
Cash and cash equivalents				
Beginning		14,816		16,651
Ending	\$	22,279	\$	14,816
Unrestricted cash and cash equivalents	_\$_	4,200	\$	115
Restricted cash and cash equivalents	\$_	18,079	\$	14,701

# STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS, Continued For the Years Ended June 30, 2006 and 2005 (000's)

	 Business-T Enterpri			
	 Water Supply Board			
	 2006	2005		
Reconciliation of Operating Income to	-			
Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities:				
Operating income	\$ 9,986	\$	7,936	
Adjustments to reconcile operating income to net cash				
provided by operating activities:				
Depreciation and amortization	9,891		9,774	
Changes in assets and liabilities:				
Accounts receivable	2,482		1,635	
Inventories	755		137	
Other assets	77		220	
Accounts payable	2,055		(992)	
Unearned revenue	83		97	
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$ 25,329	\$	18,807	

### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS June 30, 2006 and 2005 (000's)

### Note 1. Nature of Business and Significant Accounting Policies

### Reporting entity

The Providence Water Supply Board, an enterprise fund of the City of Providence, (the "Water Supply Board") was created in 1940 by Chapter 832 of the Public Laws of the State of Rhode Island. Membership of the Water Supply Board is comprised of four persons appointed by the Mayor, who serve for four-year staggered terms and two City Council members elected by the City Council who serve during their four-year City Council term. The Finance Director of the City of Providence also serves as an ex-officio Water Supply Board member.

The Water Supply Board provides water supply services through metered sales in Providence and parts of the surrounding communities of North Providence, Johnston and Cranston. The Water Supply Board also sells water to other local water supply systems on a wholesale basis. The Water Supply Board's source of water supply is the Scituate Reservoir, located in the Town of Scituate, Rhode Island, and five tributary reservoirs.

Significant accounting policies are as follows:

### Basis of Presentation

The Water Supply Board is considered an enterprise fund of the City of Providence (the "City"). The operations of the Water Supply Board are accounted for with a separate set of self-balancing accounts organized on a Proprietary Fund type (Enterprise Fund) basis.

Enterprise Funds are used to account for operations (a) that are financed and operated in a manner similar to private business enterprises where the intent of the governing body is that the costs (including depreciation) of providing goods and services to the general public on a continuing basis be financed or recovered primarily through user charges; or (b) where the governing body has decided that periodic determination of revenues earned, expenses incurred, and/or net income is appropriate for capital maintenance, public policy, management control, accountability, or other purposes.

The Water Supply Board utilizes the accrual basis of accounting, under which revenues are recognized when earned and expenses are recognized when incurred.

### Regulations and Operation

The Water Supply Board is subject, as to rates, and other matters, to the regulatory authority of the State of Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission (PUC).

# NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, Continued June 30, 2006 and 2005 (000's)

### Cash equivalents

The Water Supply Board considers all highly liquid debt instruments with an original maturity of three months or less, when purchased, to be cash equivalents.

### Investments

The Water Supply Board accounts for investments at fair values which are established by quoted market prices.

### Inventory

Inventory, consisting of materials and supplies, is valued at the lower of average cost or market using the first-in, first-out method.

### Capital assets, depreciation and amortization

Capital assets owned by the Water Supply Board are stated at cost. They are defined as assets with an initial cost of more than \$3,000 and an estimated useful life in excess of 1 year. Depreciation and amortization is provided over the estimated useful lives using the straight-line method. The estimated useful lives are as follows:

Building, source of supply structures, and improvements	5-75 years
Improvements other than buildings	3-75 years
Equipment	3-50 years

Depreciation expense is not reflected for construction in progress until such time as it is placed in service. Assets under capital leases are amortized under the Water Supply Board's normal depreciation policies for similar assets.

### Restricted funds for construction of assets

Restricted funds for construction of assets represent unexpended revenue bond proceeds obtained specifically for construction of water facilities. These funds are included in restricted assets.

### Capital contributions

Capital contributions consist of property and equipment paid for by customers for water installations. Once the installation is complete, the property and equipment transfers to the Water Supply Board at fair value.

### Revenues, operating revenues and expenses

Revenues include amounts billed and unbilled to all customers, including those customers outside the City of Providence, Rhode Island. All billed charges are based on rates approved by the PUC. Revenues for unbilled amounts to general customers are estimated based on billing amounts subsequent to year-end. The Water Supply Board distinguishes operating revenues and expenses from non-operating. Operating

# NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, Continued June 30, 2006 and 2005 (000's)

revenues result from charges to customers for water and related services. Operating expenses include the cost of operations, maintenance, sales and service, administrative expenses and depreciation. All revenues and expenses not meeting this definition are reported as non-operating or capital contributions.

### Proprietary fund accounting

The Water Supply Board has implemented Statement No. 20 of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB), "Accounting and Financial Reporting for Proprietary Funds and Other Governmental Entities that use Proprietary Fund Accounting." This Statement provides guidance on the applicability of accounting pronouncements from other standard setting organizations. Under the Board's election, it must apply all GASB pronouncements and the following pronouncements issued before November 30, 1989 unless they contradict GASB pronouncements: Statements and Interpretations of the Financial Accounting Standards Board, Accounting Principles Board Opinions, and Accounting Research Bulletins of the committee on Accounting Procedures.

### Concentration of credit risk

The Water Supply Board's financial instruments that are exposed to concentrations of credit risk consist primarily of accounts receivable. Exposure to losses on receivables is principally dependent on each customer's financial condition. Concentration of credit risk with respect to receivables is limited due to the large number of customers. The Water Supply Board monitors its exposure for credit losses and maintains allowances for anticipated losses.

### Use of estimates

The preparation of the financial statements, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities as of the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

### Compensated absences

Employees accumulate sick leave hours for subsequent use or for payment upon termination or retirement. Sick leave and vacation vest and may be carried forward, but not to exceed 135 days and 55 days, respectively.

Vested sick leave and accumulated vacation leave are recorded as expenses and liabilities as the benefits accrue to employees.

### Note 2. Restricted Assets

The State of Rhode Island enacted the Public Drinking Water Protection Act of 1987 (the "Act") that empowers suppliers of public drinking water to levy a surcharge (the "surcharge") on one cent (\$0.01) per hundred gallons of water for all customers. The surcharge has been amended several times since 1987.

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The last increase was on July 1, 2002, when the surcharge increased to \$0.0292 per hundred gallons of water for all customers. In addition to the increase, the Water Supply Board will retain 36.1% of the surcharge in its Water Quality Protection fund, remit 57.0% to the State Water Resources Board and retain 6.9% for general operations. The funds collected in the Water Quality Protection fund are to be expended in the following manner: 1) at a minimum, 55% of the funds are to be spent for the acquisition of land or land rights or physical improvements to acquired land to protect the quality of the raw water of the water supply system; 2) 35% may be used to acquire a fee simple interest or a conservation restriction that directly protects the quality and safety of the public drinking water supply; and 3) 10% may be used by the supplier for any purpose relating to its operations.

The restricted investments are pooled with the cash and cash equivalents and investments of other funds maintained by the City of Providence. The earnings from investments are allocated in proportion to each fund's balance.

### Note 3. Cash and investments

The following is a summary of cash and investments:

	 Value
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 4,200
Restricted cash and cash equivalents	18,079
Equity Mutual Funds	 1,476
Total	\$ 23,755

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Responsibility for custodial credit risk of deposits and investments and interest rate risk and risk and concentration of investments rests with the City; accordingly separate disclosure is not possible. The City's financial statements should be read to determine the associated risks of the Water Supply Board's deposits and investments.

### Note 4. Pension Plans

Substantially all employees of the Water Supply Board participate in the Employees' Retirement System of the City of Providence (the "Plan"), a defined-benefit, single-employer plan. Disclosures about this plan, as a whole, are presented in the City of Providence, Rhode Island's basic financial statements. As of June 30, 2006 and 2005, the City recorded a liability for unpaid pension contributions of \$121,000 and \$116,000, respectively. Separate actuarial information related to the Water Supply Board employees is not available. Accordingly, only disclosures about the Water Supply Board's participation in the Plan are presented herein.

All Water Supply Board employees participating in the Plan are eligible to retire at age 55 or at any age after 25 years of service. The total retirement allowance is equal to an annuity, which is the actuarial

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equivalent of accumulated contributions at the time of retirement, plus a pension which when added together, equals 1/40 of final compensation for each year of total service up to 20 years and 1/50 of final compensation for each year of service in excess of 20 years. These benefit provisions and all other requirements are established by City ordinance.

The Water Supply Board's allocation of the actuarial required contribution and amount contributed for the year ended June 30, 2006 were \$2,800 and \$2,500, respectively. The Water Supply Board's allocation of the actuarial required contribution and amount contributed for the year ended June 30, 2005 were \$2,700 and \$2,500, respectively. The employer and employees contribution rates are approximately 25% and 23%, respectively, for both 2006 and 2005.

The historical schedules of employer contributions and funding progress for the Plan are included in the City of Providence, Rhode Island's basic financial statements.

### Note 5. Long-Term Debt

Long-term liability activity for the years ended June 30, 2006 and 2005 were as follows:

						2006			
		eginning					Ending		e Within
	!	Balance	in	creases	D	ecreases	 Balance	0	ne Year
Bonds payable:									
Revenue bonds	\$	17,455	\$	•	\$	(2,747)	\$ 14,708	\$	2,829
Notes payable		52		-		(52)			<del>.</del>
Total bonds and notes payable	_	17,507		-		(2,799)	14,708		2,829
Capital leases		4,915		<u>.</u>		(1,050)	3,865		915
	\$	22,422	\$	-	\$	(3,849)	\$ 18,573	\$	3,744
						2005			
	Е	eginning					Ending		e Within
		Balance	in	creases	D	ecreases	Balance	0	ne Year
Bonds payable:									
Revenue bonds	\$	20,705	\$	8,101	\$	(11,351)	\$ 17,455	\$	2,747
Notes payable	_	104		-		(52)	 52		52
Total bonds and notes payable		20,809		8,101		(11,403)	 17,507		2,799
Capital leases		6,105				(1,190)	4,915		1,050
Total long-term liabilities	_\$_	26,914	\$	8,101	\$	(12,593)	\$ 22,422	\$	3,849

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The following is a summary of bonds and notes outstanding at June 30, 2006 and 2005 (amounts in thousands):

	June 30, 2006		
	Interest		
Description	Rate		Balance
Revenue bonds:			
Safe Drinking Water Bonds (CWFA FY2001)	3.14%	\$	1,047
Safe Drinking Water Bonds (CWFA FY2002)	4.81%		2,101
Safe Drinking Water Bonds (CWFA FY2003)	2.59%		820
Scituate Reservoir Project (PPBA I)	7.21%		3,362
Safe Drinking Water Bonds (CWFA FY2005)	2.25%	_	7,378
		\$	14,708

	June 30, 2005			
	Interest			
Description	Rate	E	Balance	
Revenue bonds:				
Safe Drinking Water Bonds (CWFA FY2001)	3.1-3.8%	\$	2,070	
Safe Drinking Water Bonds (CWFA FY2002)	4.81%		2,198	
Safe Drinking Water Bonds (CWFA FY2003)	1.95%		1,215	
Scituate Reservoir Project (PPBA I)	6.0%		3,871	
Safe Drinking Water Bonds (CWFA FY2005)	2.22%		8,101	
Note Payable City of Cranston	5.6%		52	

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Scheduled principal maturities of long-term debt are as follows:

	Principal		Interest		Balance
Fiscal year ending June 30:					
2007	\$ 2,829	\$	455	\$	3,284
2008	1,836		377		2,213
2009	1,471	326			1,797
2010	1,524		271		1,795
2011	1,570		213		1,783
2012-2016	4,554		451		5,005
2017-2021	757		97		854
2022-2026	167		3		170
	\$ 14,708	\$	2,193	\$	16,901

### In-Substance Defeasance Prior-Years

In prior years, the Water Supply Board has defeased various bond issues by creating separate irrevocable trust funds. New debt has been issued and the proceeds have been used to purchase U.S. government securities that were placed in the trust funds. The investments and fixed earnings from the investments are sufficient to fully service the defeased debt until the debt is called or matures. For financial reporting purposes, the debt has been considered defeased and therefore removed as a liability from the financial statements. As of June 30, 2006, the amount of defeased debt outstanding but removed from the Water Supply Board's statements was \$7,765,000.

## Note 6. Transactions with City of Providence, Rhode Island

The City of Providence performs various services for the Water Supply Board including certain accounting, personnel and cash management services and working capital support. The total billing to the Water Supply Board for services performed during the years ended June 30, 2006 and 2005, amounted to \$730. This amount is established by the City, approved by the Water Supply Board and ultimately approved by the PUC. The Water Supply Board also provides services to various City funds and departments, the charges for which have been included as revenue in the accompanying financial statements. Included within the accounts payable balance are the related balances due for these services and pension payments which at June 30, 2006 and 2005 totaled \$2,901 and \$591, respectively.

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### Note 7. Leases

On July 1, 1988, the City of Providence, through its Water Supply Board, entered into a lease agreement with the Rhode Island Water Resources Board. The Water Supply Board has leased the project, which expires on September 15, 2010. At the expiration of the lease term, the Water Supply Board has the option to purchase the facilities for one dollar (\$1.00). This lease has been accounted for as a capital lease.

The assets and liabilities under all capital leases are recorded at the present value of the minimum lease payments. Amortization of these assets charged to expense during the years ended June 30, 2006 and 2005 amounted to \$312 and \$309, respectively. Summary of book value is as follows:

Cost Accumulated amortization	\$ 14,728 \$ (3,323)	14,728 (3,011)
Book value	\$ 11.405 \$	11.717

Minimum future lease payments under capital leases as of June 30, 2006 are as follows:

	Re	l Water esources Board
2007	\$	1,079
2008		1,070
2009		1,034
2010		990
Total minimum lease payments		4,173
Less amount representing interest		(308)
	\$	3,865

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### Note 8. Line of Credit

The Water Supply Board has a \$2,750 line of credit with an outstanding balance of \$385 and \$715 as of June 30, 2006 and 2005. The line of credit bears interest at 5.95% and 2.95%, and matures August 10, 2007.

Line of credit transactions for the year ended June 30, 2006 were as follows:

Outstanding, July 1, 2005	\$ 715
Borrowings	-
Repayments	 (330)
Outstanding, June 30, 2006	\$ 385

Line of credit transactions for the year ended June 30, 2005 were as follows:

Outstanding, July 1, 2004	\$ 400
Borrowings	715
Repayments	 (400)
Outstanding, June 30, 2005	\$ 715

### Note 9. Risk Management

The Water Supply Board is subject to various claims and litigation that arise in the ordinary course of its operations. Legal counsel and management are of the opinion that the Water Supply Board's liabilities in such cases, if decided adversely to the Water Supply Board, would not materially affect the financial statements.

The Water Supply Board self insures its workers' compensation insurance plan. The plan, which is administered by an insurance company, contains certain stop loss clauses that limit the Water Supply Board's liability in the event of catastrophic losses (\$500 per incident). Claims are accrued as incurred based on available claim information and management's estimate of claims incurred but not yet reported. Changes in workers' compensation claims liability during fiscal 2006 and 2005 were as follows:

	2006		2005
Liability at beginning of the year Payments for claims Adjustments necessary to record estimated losses	\$	646 (558) 558	\$ 646 (512) 512
Balance at end of year	\$	646	\$ 646

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The Water Supply Board is also exposed to property and casualty, unemployment, employee health, and life insurance claims. Insurance coverage and indemnification (in the case of self-insurance) is managed by the City of Providence on behalf of the Water Supply Board. Information regarding risk management as it relates to the aforementioned claims is presented in the City of Providence's basic financial statements. Amounts paid to the City include claims incurred but not reported.

### Note 10. Capital Assets

The following is a summary of the activity in capital assets as of June 30, 2006 (in thousands):

	Balance June 30, 2005 Additions		Disposals		Balance ne 30, 2006	
Capital assets not being depreciated:						
Land	\$	10,258	\$ 31	\$	-	\$ 10,289
Scituate Reservoir Project		18,682			-	18,682
Construction in progress		14,618	15,384		6,852	23,150
Total capital assets not being depreciated		43,558	15,415		6,852	52,121
Capital assets being depreciated:						
Buildings and improvements		25,034	566		-	25,600
Improvements other than buildings		157,202	6,774		-	163,976
Machinery and equipment		23,255	895		-	24,150
Assets under capital lease		14,728	-		-	14,728
Total capital assets being depreciated		220,219	 8,235		•	228,454
Less accumulated depreciation for:						
Buildings and improvements		16,724	2,090		-	18,814
Improvements other than buildings		57,947	6,070		-	64,017
Machinery and equipment		16,537	1,419		-	17,956
Assets under capital lease		3,011	312		-	3,323
·		94,219	9,891		•	104,110
Total capital assets being depreciated, net		126,000	(1,656)		-	124,344
Total capital assets, net	\$	169,558	\$ 13,759	\$	6,852	\$ 176,465

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The following is a summary of the activity in capital assets as of June 30, 2005 (in thousands):

	Balance ine 30, 2004 Additions Disposals		)isposals	Balance June 30, 2005			
Capital assets not being depreciated:							
Land	\$ 8,162	\$	2,096	\$	-	\$	10,258
Scituate Reservoir Project	18,682		-		-		18,682
Construction in progress	19,040		11,071		15,493		14,618
Total capital assets not being depreciated	 45,884		13,167		15,493		43,558
Capital assets being depreciated:							
Buildings and improvements	21,981		3,053		-		25,034
Improvements other than buildings	146,363		10,839		-		157,202
Machinery and equipment	20,158		3,097		-		23,255
Assets under capital lease	14,728		-		-		14,728
·	203,230		16,989		-		220,219
Less accumulated depreciation for:							
Buildings and improvements	14,256		2,468		-		16,724
Improvements other than buildings	52,436		5,511		-		57,947
Machinery and equipment	15,053		1,484		-		16,537
Assets under capital lease	 2,702		309		-		3,011
	84,447		9,772		-		94,219
Total capital assets being depreciated, net	 118,783		7,217		<del>-</del>		126,000
Total capital assets, net	\$ 164,667	\$	20,384	\$	15,493	\$	169,558

### Note 11. Post employments Benefits

The Water Supply pays heath care benefits for certain retired employees and funds these benefits on a cash (pay-as-you-go) basis. During the year ended June 30, 2006, the cost of retiree health care benefits recorded by the Water Supply Board amounted to approximately \$300,000 (see Note 12).

### Note 12. Pronouncements Issued, Not Yet Effective

The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) has issued several pronouncements prior to June 30, 2006 that have effective dates that may impact future financial presentations.

Management has not currently determined what, if any, impact implementation of the following statements may have on the financial statements:

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- GASB Statement Number 43, "Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefit Plans Other Than Pension Plans," issued April 2004, will be effective for the City beginning with its year ended June 30, 2007. This Statement establishes uniform financial reporting standards for OPEB (other postemployment benefits) and supersedes the interim guidance included in Statement No. 26, "Financial Reporting for Postemployment Healthcare Plans Administered by Defined Benefit Pension Plans."
- GASB Statement No. 45, "Accounting and Financial Reporting by Employers for Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions," issued June 2004, will be effective for the City beginning with its year ending June 30, 2008. This Statement establishes standards for the measurement, recognition and display of other postemployment benefits, expenses and related liabilities or assets, not disclosures and, if applicable, required supplementary information in the financial reports.
- Statement No. 48, "Sales and Pledges of Receivables and Future Revenues and Intra-Entity Transfers of Assets and Future Revenues," issued September 2006, is effective for periods beginning after December 15, 2006. This Statement establishes accounting and financial reporting standards for transactions in which a government receives, or is entitled to, resources in exchange for future cash flows generated by collecting specific receivables or specific future revenues. It also provides disclosure requirements for a government that pledges or commits future cash flows from a specific revenue source. In addition, this Statement establishes accounting and financial reporting standards for intra-entity transfers of assets and future revenues.

### **APPENDIX**

### PROVIDENCE WATER Exhibit No. 3

Index and	responses in	n Com	pliance	with	Part	Two
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Item 2.5(a) Current and Proposed Rate Schedules; Terms and Conditions

Response Included under heading "Tariffs"

Item 2.5 (b) Complete Direct Case with Testimony and Exhibits

Response Included as Testimony of Witnesses, with Exhibits

Item 2.5 (c)(1) Annual Reports to Commission

Response Filed

Item 2.5 (c)(2) FERC or FCC annual reports

Response Not applicable

Item 2.5 (c)(3) FERC or FCC audit reports

Response Not applicable

Item 2.5 (c)(4) SEC Annual 10K reports

Response Not applicable

Item 2.5(c)(5) Prospectuses issued during last two (2) years

Response Not applicable

Item 2.5 (c)(6) Annual Reports to Stockholders

Response Not applicable.

Item 2.5 (c)(7) Statement reconciling any significant differences between items shown in filing and in any of above reports.

Response Not applicable.

Item 2.6(a) & Cost of service schedules for the test year and the proposed rate year 2.9(a)

Response For cost of service schedules, see Schedules DGB-1 and DGB-2 for test

year and WEE1 - WEE2 for proposed rate year including testimony.

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# Index and responses in Compliance with Part Two

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Item 2.6(b)	Rate Year (January 1, 2008 to December 31, 2008)
Response	Please see attached Motion for Relief approved by the Commission at an open meeting on February 28, 2007.
Item 2.6(c)	Adjustments to Test year
Response	Please see Testimony and Exhibits of David Bebyn.
Item 2.7	Attestation of Financial Data
Response	Please see last page of Testimony of Jeanne Bondarevskis
Item 2.9 (b)	Workpapers supporting working capital allowance
Response	Not applicable.
Item 2.9 (c)	Workpapers supporting allocations of cost of service amounts among entities
Response	Not applicable.
Item 2.9 (d)	Workpapers detailing the test year and rate year revenues
Response	Please see testimony of David Bebyn, Walter Edge and Harold Smith and supporting schedules.
Item 2.9 (e)	For each rate class, proposed rate change effects. Copy of actual bill.
Response	Please see Harold Smith's testimony and supporting schedule HJS-11. Actual bill sample attached.
Item 2.9 (f)	Principal and Interest paid on Debt Service
Response	Please see attached Debt Service Schedule.
Item 2.9 (g)	Schedule of Lease payments
Response	Please see attached Lease Schedule.
Item 2.9 (h)	Adjustment Clause revenue analysis

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Response	Not applicable.
Item 2.9 (i)	Rate year Municipal Tax Expense, and prior three years
Response	Please see WEE-4 Analysis of Property Taxes, and WEE-4A Comparative Schedule of Property Taxes.
Item 2.9 (j)	Number of Employees and Overtime
Response	Please see attached Employee Number and Overtime Schedule.
Item 2.9 (k)	Summary of transactions with affiliated entities/funds
Response	Please see attached Summary of Transactions with Affiliated Entities.
Item 2.9 (l)	<ul><li>(1) balance sheet</li><li>(2) income statement</li><li>(3) statement of changes in retained earnings</li></ul>
Response	Please see attached Audited Financial Statements for Fiscal Year ending 6/30/06 and 6/30/05.
Item 2.9 (m)	Summary of rate case expense incurred and projected
Response	Please see WEE-7 Schedule of Regulatory Commission and Rate Case Expense.
Item 2.9 (n)	Information for preceding five years (1) unaccounted for water (2) loss on transmission of electricity or gas (3) utility's own use of water
Response	<ol> <li>Please see Table E to Pamela Marchand's testimony</li> <li>Not applicable</li> <li>Please see attached Utility Use of Water.</li> </ol>
Item 2.9 (o)	Summary of the status of compliance and reporting required by prior Commission orders.
Response	Providence Water is in compliance with all prior Commission orders. All semi and annual reports have been filed to the best of our knowledge.
(Note: All atta	ached schedules to this Exhibit prepared by Mary Deignan-White)

# STATE OF RHODE ISLAND PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

IN RE:	PROVIDENCE WATER SUPPLY BOARD	:
	FULL RATE FILING	

DOCKET NO.	
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# PROVIDENCE WATER SUPPLY BOARD'S MOTION FOR RELIEF FROM RULE 2.6(b)

- 1. Commission Rule 2.6(a) requires the use of a test year which constitutes "a historic year of actual data for a period ending within nine (9) months of the filing date." Providence Water Supply Board (Providence Water) plans to file a full rate case on or about March 31, 2007. This date is within nine (9) months of Providence Water's June 30, 2006 test year, which is also Providence Water's audited fiscal year.
  - 2. However, PUC Rule 2.6(b), dealing with the rate year, states that:

"The rate year is the twelve-month period for which new rates are designed to recover the proposed cost of service. The rate year period shall be the filed test year or such other yearly period which commences no later than six (6) months after the proposed effective date of the new tariffs."

3. Commission Rule 2.3(b) provides that:

"In the event that any information, document or data required by this Part is unavailable and/or its ascertainment or submission would be unduly burdensome or it is not relevant in light of the schedule change which is the subject of the application, the applicant may file with the application a motion for an exemption from the requirement."

- 4. Pursuant to Commission Rules 1.15 and 2.3(b), Providence Water seeks relief from Rule 2.6(b) in order to allow Providence Water to (1) file a full rate case on or about March 31, 2007, (2) utilize a June 30, 2006, test year, and (3) utilize a rate year consisting of the calendar year January 1, 2008, to December 31, 2008.
- 5. Providence Water's financial information is maintained on a fiscal year ending June 30 basis. Providence Water makes appropriate cut offs for the semi-annual filing with the

PUC covering the period July 1 through December 31 of each year. Providence Water does not cut off its financial statements at any other time.

- 6. In addition, Providence Water has had its new rates go into effect on January 1<sup>st</sup> in each of the last few consecutive rate cases.
- 7. Providence Water cannot change its audited test year. Providence Water also did not want to expend the significant ratepayer dollars that would be needed to develop a rate year that did not begin on either July 1<sup>st</sup> or January 1<sup>st</sup>.
- 8. Because a 2008 calendar year rate year would technically be outside of the 6-month period set forth in Rule 2.6(b) for rate years, Providence Water requests relief from Rule 2.6(b) to allow the calendar year 2008 to be used as the rate year in the full rate case Providence Water will be filing on or about March 31, 2007, using a June 30, 2006, test year.
  - 9. The Division has informed us that it has no objection to this motion.

WHEREFORE Providence Water respectfully requests relief from Rule 2.6(b) as set forth above.

Respectfully submitted,

PROVIDENCE WATER SUPPLY BOARD

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### CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on the 7<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2006, I mailed a true copy of the foregoing by first class mail to the following:

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Attorney General's Office
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Providence, RI 02903

Theresa M. Gallo

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**Providence Water Supply Board** 

Billing Date: 2/12/2007 Account Nbr: 322115

P.O. BOX 1456 Providence, RI 02901-1456

Statement Nbr: 20702121605068

Type of Bill: REG

Billing Cycle: 65

Total Due:

\$68.89 Upon Receipt

Payment Amount: \$

322115000212070000000068890000688900000

Mailing Address:

MAPLECREST AVE

NORTH PROVIDENCE, RI 02911-2912

Service Location Address .

MAPLECREST AVE

NORTH PROVIDENCE, RI 02911

Make check payable to Providence Water Supply Board. To pay by credit card, call 1-866-833-2560 or go to www.provwater.com. Cut on the Dotted Line, Detach and Return This Top Portion With Your Payment.

Billing Date: 2/12/2007

Statement Nbr: 20702121605068

Previous Bill: 1

\$49.69

Account Nbr: 322115

Type of Bill: REG

Billing Cycle: 65

Payments Received:

(\$49.69)

Balance Forward:

.00.02

Current Charges:

\$68.89

Total Due:

\$68.89

Activity/Charges for period 11/3/2006 to 2/3/2007

Meter Number: 16388663

Service Location Address

Bill Based on Actual Meter Reading: 76067 Previous Meter Reading: 73462 As Of Rdg Date: 2/3/2007

■ MAPLECREST AVE

NORTH PROVIDENCE, RI 02911

NORTH NOVIDENCE,	10 02011				<u>ltem</u>
Type of Charge	Rate	<u>Consumption</u>	Service Amt	Min Charge	<u>Charge</u>
CONSUMPTION	1.95816	26.05 CCF	\$51.01	\$0.00	\$51.01
RI WATER FUND 1	0.09405	26.05 HCF	\$2.45	\$0.00	\$2.45
RI WATER FUND 2	0.12438	26.05 HCF	\$3.24	\$0.00	\$3.24
SERV CHRG QTRLY	12.19		\$12.19	\$0.00	\$12.19
Total Due for Met	er Number: 1638866	33	\$68.89		\$68.89
Total Due For Service Loca	ation 322115		\$68.89		\$68.89
Interest of 1% Per Month \ After the Billing Date. Tha		n Payments Received 30 Days ur services.	Current Period	\$68.89	

### **CONSUMER RIGHTS**

If you think your bill is incorrect please contact our Customer Service office at 521-5070. If you are still not satisfied after speaking to one of our representatives, you can submit the matter to the Division of Public Utilities at (401) 780-9700.

# PROVIDENCE WATER Debt Service Schedule

Description of Debt	Interest <u>Rate</u>	Original <u>Principal</u>	Test Year FY 2006 <u>Principal</u> Interes	-Y 2006 <u>Interest</u>	Rate Year CY 2008 Principal Interes	CY 2008 <u>Interest</u>
Eruit Hill Extra High Service System Capital Lease  Date of Issue: 03/15/90, refunded 07/15/97 by RI Water Resources Board Date of Maturity: 09/15/2009 Source of Funds: Rates (Capital Fund) Purpose: Extra high service system expansion to include Tank, Fruit Hill Avenue Pump Station, Distribution Mains and upgrades to other pump stations Repayment Terms: Semi-annual interest and annual principal payments Security Pledge: Pledge of all rentals payable pursuant to Lease Agreement	4.71% venue	\$11,685,000	\$865,000	\$194,444	\$1,010,000	\$98,000
Clean Water Revenue Bonds  Date of Acquisition: 12/27/02  Date of Maturity: 09/01/2007  Source of Funds: Rates (Capital Fund)  Purpose: Security Improvements throughout the Water Supply system Repayment Terms: Semi-annual interest and annual principal payments Security Pledge: Operating Revenues	2.59%	\$2,000,000	\$395,000	\$21,659	0\$	0\$
Clean Water Revenue Bonds  Date of Acquisition: 12/4/01  Date of Maturity: 09/01/2021  Source of Funds: Rates (WCWDS fund)  Purpose: Install mains Pippin Orchard/Wilbur Avenue Pump Station  Repayment Terms: Semi-annual interest and annual principal payments  Security Pledge: Operating Revenues	4.81%	\$2,500,000	\$97,065	\$73,500	\$107,527	\$65,845
Totals			\$1,357,065	\$289,603	\$1,117,527	\$163,845
Total Debt Service Capital fund Total Debt Service Western Cranston fund Total Debt Service Pursuant to 2.9 (f) of the Commission Rules of Practice and Procedure				\$1,476,103 \$170,565 \$1,646,668		\$1,108,000 <u>\$173,372</u> \$1,281,372

# PROVIDENCE WATER Debt Service Schedule

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Description of Debt	Interest <u>Rate</u>	Original Principal	Test Year FY 2006 Principal Interes	FY 2006 Interest	Rate Year CY 2008 Principal Interes	CY 2008 Interest
Safe Drinking Water Revolving Loan  Date of Issue: 12/28/94 by RI Clean Water Finance Agency, Refunded by RI Clean Water Finance Agency 3/23/05  Date of Maturity: 9/1/2014  Source of Funds: Rates (IFR fund)  Purpose: Various infrastructure replacement projects  Repayment Terms: Per Loan Agreement monthly principal and interest Security Pledge: Operating Revenues	2.33 - 3.60%	\$8,101,000	\$723,000	\$206,700	\$774,000	\$169,672
Clean Water Revenue Bonds  Date of Acquisition: 04/01  Date of Maturity: 09/01/06  Source of Funds: Rates (IFR fund)  Purpose: Rehab 90" Aqueduct project  Repayment Terms: Semi-annual interest and annual principal payments  Security Pledge: Operating Revenues	3.14%	\$5,000,000	\$1,022,799	\$34,499	0\$	<b>⇔</b>
Totals  Total Debt Service IFR fund  Pursuant to 2.9 (f) of the Commission Rules of Practice and Procedure	8 D		\$1,745,799	\$241,199 \$1,986,998	\$774,000	\$169,672 \$943,672

# PROVIDENCE WATER Lease Schedule Equipment Fund

Description of Lease	Original	Test Year FY 2006	:Y 2006	Rate Year CY 2008	CY 2008
	<u>Principal</u>	Principal Intered	<u>Interest</u>	Principal Interest	Interest
New Modular Office Building Date of Issue: 05/27/97 Purpose: Office building located on Scituate Avenue in the City of Cranston Rhode Island	\$1,509,818	\$184,701	\$11,839	0\$	0

Pursuant to 2.9 (g) of the Commission Rules of Practice and Procedure

Totals Totals Total Lease Payments Equip. Repl Fund

\$0

\$0

\$11,839 \$196,540

\$184,701

# PROVIDENCE WATER Employee Number and Overtime

	Number of Employees					
Time Period	Full Time	Part Time	Temporary	<u>Total</u>		
Beginning of Test Year	243	11	0	254		
End of Test Year	254	11	12	277		

FISCAL Year	Overtime Amount
07/01/03-6/30/2004 07/01/04-6/30/2005 07/01/05-6/30/2006	\$796,222 \$860,141 \$849,652

Rate Year 1/1/08 -12/31/08

\$914,917

(test year amount of \$849,652 x 1.0768135)

Number of Employees:

Average # during Test Year 263
Plus additional positions 0
Rate Year Number 263

Pursuant to 2.9(j) of the Commission Rules of Practice and Procedure

# Providence Water Summary of Transactions with Affiliated Entities

City Services Billing from City of Providence	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	\$729,994
Hydrant Billing to City of Providence		\$785,462
Other Water Billings to City of Providence		N/A
Loans to/from		\$0
Outstanding Balance on Loan from City of Providence		\$0

Accounts Receivable:		Beginning Test Year	End <u>Test Year</u>	Latest <u>Balance 2/07</u>
Hydrant Account Other City Water Accounts		\$46,795 \$205,789	\$73,040 · \$263,158	\$689,472 \$197,609

N/A Not readily available. Involves numerous accounts. Providence Water does periodically extract the Accounts Receivable balance and review with City personnel. That is why this information is available.

Pursuant to 2.9(k) of the Commission Rules of Practice and Procedure

# Providence Water Utility Use of Water

From	То	Beginning	Ending	Cubic Feet	HCF
<u>Date</u>	<u>Date</u>	Readings	<u>Reading</u>	<b>Consumption</b>	Consumption
4/9/2001	4/4/2002	2,513,560	2,561,740	48,180	482
4/4/2002	4/1/2003	2,561,740	2,604,250	42,510	425
4/1/2003	3/24/2004	2,604,250	2,652,810	48,560	486
3/24/2004	3/16/2005	2,652,810	2,716,200	63,390	634
3/16/2005	3/10/2006	2,716,200	2,786,010	69,810	698
3/10/2006	9/6/2006	2,786,010	2,815,670	<u> 29,660</u>	<u>297</u>
				302,110	3,021

Pursuant to 2.9(n) of the Commission Rules of Practice and Procedure